(c) whether the integrated course has already been introduced in any college in the country; and

(d) what are the advantages of the five-year integrated course over the existing law degree courses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRIMATI SHEILA KAUL): (a) The Bar Council of India has framed rules under the Advocates Act, 1961 prescribing a new pattern of legal education of 5 years after the 10+2 stage in place of the existing 3-year LL.B course after graduation. The rules have been brought into force from 1st June, 1982.

(b) The UGC has been of the view that various issues like the objectives of the new course, its duration, admission criteria, the financial implications, the repercussions of the new scheme on other courses, and particularly the closing of the option for entry to the Law Courses after graduation etc. should be further considered in consultation with the Bar Council.

(c) According to information available, 11 universities in the country have adopted the new pattern of legal education.

(d) According to the Bar Council, the objective of the new scheme is to provide for an integrated professional education in law through a full-time programme which combines adequate practical training so that the standards of legal education are improved and the profession is developed as a service to the community.

Appointment of the Director, Khuda Baksh Oriental Public Library, Patna

2326. DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA HEPTULLA: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Director of the Khuda Baksh Public Library, Patna, was not appointed by the Union Public Service Commission; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and under whose supervision the Director performs his functions and what are the terms and conditions of his service?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRIMATI SHEILA KAUL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The appointment of Director, Khuda Bakhs Oriental Public Library, Patna, does not fall within the purview of the Union Public Service Commission. The Director performs his functions under the supervision of the Khuda Bakhsh Oriental Public Library Board constituted under the Khuda Kakhsh Oriental Public Libray Act, 1969. The terms and conditions of service of the Director are given in Statement.

Statement

The service terms and conditions of the Director in the Khuda Bakhsh Oriental Public Library, Patna are as under:

(a) *Qualifications*:

(1) Master's degree in Arabic/Persian/Islamics/Medieval Indian History or high academic qualifications in these subjects;

(2) Degree of Ph.D in Arabic/Persian/Islamics/Medieval Indian History;

(3) Degree in Library Science;

(4) Published research work of high academic standard;

(5) Ability to guide research scholars;

(6) Knowledge of Muslim Civilization.

(b) *Experiences*

At least twenty years' experience of administration or of guiding/organising research work, or of both; in a recognised institution.

(c) *Pay Scale*: Rs. 1500-200.

Retrenchment of staff of the Central Fisheries Corporation

2327. SHRI ARABINDA GHOSH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of employees retrenched from the Central Fisheries Corporation, both casual and regular, separately; and

(b) the number of employees who have been provided with jobs category-wise casual and regular, separately?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH): (a) (1) Regular employees: : 157

(2) Casual employees : 118

(b) Government has provided alternative employment to 181 ex-employees of the Central Fisheries Corporation. The detailed break-up of the casual and regular employees provided with alternative employment is however not available as the records are under the custody of the Official Liquidator, under orders of the High Court, Calcutta.

Loans given to Shipping Companies by SDFC

2328. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have not announced their policy on the relief package proposed to be given to the shipping industry for the year 1983-84;

(b) if so, by when the above policy is likely to be announced and what are the reasons for delay in its announcement;

(c) what are the broad details of financial assistance given to the shipping companies during the last three years and with what results; and

(d) the extent and the type of loans and guarantees issued by the Shipping Development Fund Committee from January 1 to June 30, 1984 and what are their terms and conditions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) and (b) While the Government is anxious to provide maximum possible financial assistance to the Indian shipping companies in the wake of the current unprecedented recession in the international shipping industry, this has to be done also keeping in view the need to provide reasonable safeguards to investments and use of Government funds. It is therefore necessary to link the financial assistance to be given to a shipping company to an assessment of the degree of financial assistance required by it to keep it or make it viable in a rasonable time frame and on the basis of reasonable assumptions pertaining to various parameters, particularly the level of freight rates which may be expected to prevail in the future years. Keeping in view the persisting uncertainties in the international freight market and its expected behaviour in the coming years, and also keeping in view the large number of companies involved, the viability studies are complex and voluminous. While some progress has been made, the exercise has not yet been finally completed.

(c) A statement showing broad details of financial assistance to shipping companies during the last three years has been given in Statement I. The details of tonnage added to the national shipping tonnage with the assis-